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SANTA CLAUS ARRIVES: Some of the 75 children at the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce Women's Division 14th annual children's Christmas party crowd around the jolly old

fellow. The party was held Saturday at the Madison Memorial Center in Madison. The first party was held in 1976 under the leadership of Women's Division President Billie Schuler.

(Photo by Buddy Bortz)

Attorney may face disciplinary action

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — A state judicial panel has recommended disciplining local attorney Leon Scroggins for allegedly mishandling five cases.

John O'Malley, administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Illinois, filed the report Nov. 16 with the commission's hearing board.

The five-count complaint said Scroggins,

who has been licensed to practice law since 1964, had mishandled five cases, all of which involved clients convicted of various crimes. After filing appeals of their convictions, he failed to follow through, and the defendants had to pursue their own appeals, it is contend-

In another case, Scroggins allegedly failed to file a will or estate title for an elderly woman and to properly transfer the title of a car she had sold.

In a fifth case, Scroggins allegedly agreed to represent an Indiana woman who had suc-

cessfully sought visitation rights to her grandchild living in Illinois. But after accepting a \$400 check from the woman, he failed to file the visitation order with an Illinois court, the complaint said.

Scroggins said he would fight the charges and expected to be completely exonerated.

If the complaint is upheld by the hearing board, Scroggins could face disciplinary action ranging from reprimand to suspension to permanent disbarment, said Jerry Larkin,

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CHRISTMAS HOUSE TOUR: Doorman Tim Knowland, left, directs Tim and Carla Elliott through the home of Tom and Jo Anne Taff, 2251 Cleveland Blvd., on Saturday night. The "World's Fair" home, completed in 1904, was one of seven homes and three churches on the Downtown Neighborhood Restoration Society tour.

K mart's inserts join Sunday Home Journals

K mart, the nation's largest discount merchandiser, has signed an annual contract to place its advertising circulars in the Sunday Home Journals in both Illinois and Missouri. The only store in K mart will discontinue its insert program in the Sunday St. Louis Post-Dispatch and Belleville (Ill.) News-Democrat when its program with the Journals begins.

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Thomas Marschel, president and chief executive officer for the Suburban Newspapers of Greater St. Louis, said the new annual contract with options is the "culmination of a relationship between K mart and the Sunday Home Journals that dates back to 1969." He said, "We are obviously pleased with the faith that K mart has in our Suburban Journals."

Wayne Perzee, one of two K mart district managers in the St.

Louis area, said the company was "excited to be in the Sunday Home Journals to make sure that all potential customers get K mart advertising." Perzee said he saw a parallel between the Journals' program of free newspaper distribution to all households and K mart's mission of getting the best products and merchandise to all residents.

"We are certainly looking forward to the move to enable us to reach a much larger share of the households in the St. Louis area," said Jim Crocker, the other K mart manager in the St. Louis area.

In another announcement, the two companies said the K mart After-Christmas Sale circular will be inserted into the Christmas issue edition of the Sunday Home Journals, which will be delivered Christmas Eve.

The Suburban Newspapers of Greater St. Louis publishes 33 newspapers, including 20 with Sunday Home Journal annual editions and 37 with mid-week editions. K mart, the second largest

retailer in the United States, has 22 stores in the St. Louis area and will open its 23rd in Ellis-

ville in March. The company employs 3,300 associates in the metro area.



THE SWITCH of all K mart advertising circulars to the Suburban Journals from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch has been announced by, from left, Mike O'Leary, national sales manager for the Journals; Wayne Perzee and Jim Crocker, district managers for K mart stores; and Thomas Marschel, president and chief executive officer of the Journals.

(Staff photo by John Conroy)

Residents can protest tax hike

MADISON — The District 12 school board voted Thursday night to increase its aggregate property tax levy by 13 percent to \$1,450, but residents have the opportunity to veto a tax increase.

The figure includes \$85,050 for the Operation, Building and Maintenance Fund, with a proj-

ected 3-cent rate increase under a backdoor referendum policy approved by the Illinois General Assembly in the last session.

The increase stems from a new law that allows community unit districts, such as District 12, to increase property taxes and rate fractionally over the next.

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Foley gets school post

By Meg Tebo
Staff writer

Venetian Blinds in Madison for many years.

The new board member is a Madison city employee, in charge of the alarm department.

Ankrom left Madison to take a position at a new church in Troy.

In other business Thursday night, the board approved the 1990 Madison High School prom to be held in the Middle School gymnasium. An after-prom event will be held at Granite City Bowl, which will be rented for the evening.

Reviews and previews

State sues Granite City Steel

The state of Illinois has filed a seven-count lawsuit against Granite City Steel charging it with a number of air pollution violations at various times from 1987 through 1989. The suit, alleging the company allowed illegal emissions into the air, was filed in Madison County Circuit Court by Attorney General Neil Hartigan. If the allegations are supported in court, Granite City Steel could face more than \$130,000 in penalties. The emissions were not life-threatening, according to the attorney general.

Santa Claus is coming to town

Children will have an opportunity to eat breakfast with Santa Claus on Saturday at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College. The breakfast will be held from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the campus cafeteria, 4950 Marquette Road. Tickets are \$2 and must be purchased in advance in the Cashier's Office at the campus. The deadline is today (Wednesday). In addition to breakfast and photo opportunities with Santa and Mrs. Claus, there will be storytelling and cartoons. Those who want more information may call 931-0600.

50 years ago

Thursday, Dec. 14, 1939

The Madison Village Trustees purchased a small rectangular tract of land from the Madison Packing Co. in order to straighten out a dangerous curve on 12th Street at Alton Avenue. The purchase price was \$1.

Tip of the hat



Forty-nine Granite City National Honor Society members solicited Nov. 17 and 18 outside businesses for the Tri-Cities Area United Way. Students collected almost \$1,700. Presenting a check to raise the total over \$1,700 are, from left, Jennifer Reznack, secretary; Chad Lane, president; Nancy Sanders-Miles, volunteer; Ron Sammons, vice president; and Gina Lenzi, treasurer.

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Briefly**Venture, Mattel team up with the Salvation Army**

Venture Stores Inc. and Mattel have teamed up with The Salvation Army to collect Christmas toys to make the holiday season brighter for children in need in St. Louis.

People who wish to donate toys to the Venture/Mattel Kids Care Too program can drop off their gift in the specially marked Mattel "Kids Care, Too" collection boxes at any Venture store. Those who donate a toy receive an activity book free from Mattel.

Volunteers from The Salvation Army are working closely with Venture to collect the toys and distribute them in time for Christmas. More than 35,100 children received toys last Christmas through the program.

"The toys collected will be given to children who otherwise could have gone without this holiday season," said Lt. Col. M. Lee Hickam, commander of the Midland Division of The Salvation Army.

Olin contracts ratified

New three-year labor contracts were accepted Dec. 3 by four bargaining groups representing most of the hourly-paid employees at Olin Corporation's East Alton manufacturing plant.

Machinists District 9, Electricians Local 649, Chemical Workers Union Local 6 and members of six unions represented by the Western Employers Trades Council voted by a 2-1 margin to accept the company's proposal.

The new contracts call for a 4% percent wage increase Dec. 1, 1989, and 3 percent increases on Jan. 1, 1990 and 1991. There also are improvements in health and benefit programs.

Benefits improvements include increases in shift premiums, weekly sickness and accident benefits, retiree life insurance, retirement benefits and participation in a new contributing employee ownership plan in which the company matches employee savings, up to 6 percent of base pay, at a rate determined by company performance.

The improvements more than offset some minor reductions in health care benefits.

Tax relief applications due

Senior and disabled citizens have just a few weeks left to apply for Circuit Breaker tax relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance, according to state Revenue Director Roger D. Sweet.

Sweet reminded those eligible that the deadline for applications is midnight Dec. 31.

"If you haven't filed yet, you must apply before then," Sweet said. "All applications must be postmarked by this date in order to qualify for this year's program," he said.

More than 372,000 people have received a total of \$97.5 million so far this year. Circuit Breaker tax rebates, he said.

In addition, 37,633 have signed up for the Pharmaceutical Assistance program, which provides free medications for heart disease, arthritis and diabetes.

Applications for Circuit Breaker programs can be obtained from any Illinois Department of Revenue office or by calling the department toll-free at 1-800-732-8866. Persons who file their claims in December can expect to receive their checks around late March 1990.

Eticam still plans Granite plant

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Eticam still plans to build a recycling plant on the west side of Illinois 8, but the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has forced the company to enter another 30-day public hearing period.

Following several public hearings, the recycling plant was approved by the City Council several years ago. The plant, which would recover metals from liquid industrial waste, could employ as many as 50 people.

At a hearing Tuesday evening at City Hall, the aldermen appeared willing to vote to support Eticam, but the company's attorney explained the council cannot vote until the 30-day period is over.

The major question the aldermen had was, "How soon can we have it?"

Donnelly said construction could start within 30 days of getting approval from the IEPA.

He said the IEPA estimated, more than a

year ago, that the approval process would take nine months.

But waiting, he said, is something Eticam used to doing. He said the plant the company just opened in Temple, Texas, had delayed because of specific Texas requirements that are tougher than anywhere else in the country.

The company did whatever it took to meet the requirements, he said.

Eticam operates plants in Rhode Island, Nevada and Texas.

Donnelly assumed the council had the plant will pose no threat. The waste would be brought in in tanker trucks and pumped directly in a sealed system into the recycling system.

Because the waste is liquid, he said, there is no possibility of dust.

The only possible contamination, he said, would be through a spill that could be contained by Eticam and the Granite City Fire Department.

Donnelly said the fire department should already be able to handle that type of spill, but Eticam would buy any extra equipment or pay for any additional training that might be needed.

Asked if he was sure enough of the plant's safety to live next door, Donnelly said: "Actually, I live a quarter-mile from the Rhode Island plant."

Five announce for countywide offices

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — County Clerk Evelyn Bowles of Edwardsville became the fifth announced candidate for county clerk.

Bowles, 58, will be seeking her fifth four-year term.

Sheriff Bob Churchich, County Treasurer Mick Henkhaus and Superintendent of Schools Harry A. Briggs Jr. previously said they would run for new terms.

All four are Democrats.

Briggs, 42, of Granite City will seek re-election for a second term. The primary is in March and the general election is in November 1990.

Churchich, 61, of Dorsey also will seek his a second term, while Henkhaus, 37, of Bethalto will run for a fourth.

In reviewing her last four years in office, Bowles noted dramatic changes in how elections are conducted.

"All election results are now tabulated by computer," she said, "while the ballot combinations have become increasingly complex."

John Shimkus of Collinsville

has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for county clerk.

Shimkus, 31, a West Point graduate and a teacher at Metro East Lutheran High School, is a Collinsville Township trustee.

He said, "As a Republican I will, by my very presence, provide a very needed check on the county government."

Treasurer Henkhaus said his office distributes property taxes to local governments faster than any other treasurer's office in the state.

"We get money out two months before we have to," Henkhaus said.

Churchich said he wants to set up a community police unit similar to the St. Louis Metropolitan Major Case Squad, which has officers from different departments on loan to it. He said the unit would include a mobile crime lab.

"If some (municipalities) choose not to be involved, we're going to do it anyway," Churchich said.

Briggs said the most important issues facing schools involve financing and the enhancement of students' learning.

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Gibson retires as AFL-CIO president

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

CHICAGO — Robert Gibson, a native of Granite City, made his official Thursday, retiring as president of the state AFL-CIO. He was replaced by Richard Walsh, the union's secretary-treasurer.

Gibson, 52, served 10 years as president. Before that, he was Illinois AFL-CIO secretary-treasurer for two years. He had hinted to the press *Review-Journal* several weeks ago that he might retire soon.

Walsh, 46, was unanimously approved Thursday by the union's executive board. He had served two years as secretary-treasurer and 10 years as the union's legislative and political director.

Walsh is a Chicago steelworker who has a law degree and is a member of American Federation of Teachers

Local 4438 in Springfield.

Gibson praised the executive board's action in naming Walsh: "I am confident he will continue the gains we have made for labor."

His vast experience with the Legislature and his many years working within the political process give him a unique ability to develop legislative solutions to problems faced by working men and women.

Walsh in turn praised Gibson's accomplishments: "We're going to miss President Gibson. He made the state organization one of the most effective in the country."

Walsh said the major challenges facing the one-million-member union federation are the 1990 elections and legislative district reapportionment.

He said, "Reapportionment will dictate how the labor movement will be treated for

the next 10 years."

He said the most important 1990 aspect of reapportionment is to make sure that Democratic majorities are elected in both houses of the General Assembly, since those are the bodies which will do the redistricting.

Walsh said other priorities include legislative action to streamline the workers' compensation process, which he said takes an average of four years now before awards are given.

He also said he expects to bring the United Mine Workers union into the state AFL-CIO.

David Johnson, the union's legislative director, was named to replace Walsh as secretary-treasurer.

Gibson, who grew up here and worked for 10 years at Granite City Steel, has said he might move back.

Startling cycle stats outline helmet needs

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration a motorcyclist without a helmet is twice as likely to sustain a head injury as a driver with a helmet, and three times more likely to suffer a fatal head injury than a rider with a helmet.

In addition, many arguments against

wearing a helmet have been largely disproven.

- Helmets do not reduce peripheral vision.
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- Helmets do not contribute to neck injuries.

Studies in Nebraska, California and Canada reveal neck injuries occur in less than 2 percent of motorcycle accidents.

- Helmets do not impair hearing. Both measurements and crash investigations have revealed they do not lower ability to distinguish traffic sounds.



(Staff Photo by Patrick Foley)

GOOD RIDDANCE: Standing inside a house on Dewey Avenue during its last hours on earth are, from left, 4th Ward Alderman Dan Partney, Granite City Building Inspector John Jakich and 4th Ward Alderman Dan Brown. The condemnation and demolition process took less than 30 days, about a twelfth of the normal time, according to Jakich. It's really a matter of luck as much as anything else, he said. Granite City is getting better. Jakich said a couple dozen condemned properties are currently facing demolition using community development funds.

7 animals at Granite pound

GRANITE CITY — The Animal Control Department reports it had seven animals at the city pound as of Dec. 8. Persons wishing to reclaim or adopt one of the animals may call Animal Control at 452-6233.

The animals at the pound are:

- A large black and white shepherd found Nov. 30 in the Joy Apartments area.
- An extra-large black female great Dane picked up Dec. 1 in the 14th Street area.
- A medium-sized brown male mixed collie found Dec. 5 in the 2000 block of Edwards Street.
- A medium-sized white male mixed breed dog found Dec. 5 in the 600 block of Kirkpatrick Homes.
- A small black male cocker spaniel found Dec. 6 in the 2100 block of Ohio Street.
- A small black and white male cocker spaniel found Dec. 7 in the 2000 block of Ohio Avenue.
- A small brown male puppy found Dec. 8 near the Price Support Center.

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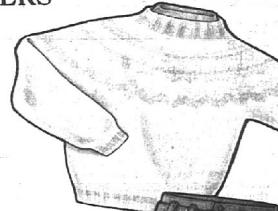
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Council ignores attorney's advice

By Bonita Gower-Tillman
Staff writer

EAST ST. LOUIS — The Aldermanic Council overruled a veto last week on a resolution that would have allowed them to appoint department heads.

A City Office issued the veto Nov. 17, saying the action violated state and U.S. laws governing the separation of powers between the executive and legislative branches of government.

The council was issued a reverse opinion from its own attorney, Kenwyn Redding, said case law had been brought to his attention that showed that alder-

men were in violation.

He previously had told aldermen that the resolution was legal, but probably not because there were some problems.

"I made a mistake," Redding said. "If a man can't admit he made a mistake, he's got some problems. Case law in Illinois is that they can't do what they are doing."

City Attorney Eric Vickers also presented aldermen with a copy of a restraining order forbidding aldermen from acting on the resolution. The order was issued by Associate Judge Robert Craig.

Officer had filed suit against the seven aldermen to overturn the ordinance Nov. 15.

Despite the actions, aldermen overrode the veto by a 7-1 vote. Ward 4 Alderwoman Willie Reese cast the only dissenting vote.

In other business, the council overrode Officer's veto of a resolution to advertise for a new comptroller, and gave a vote of support to Ward 3 Alderman Frank Clark.

Officer's suit also had sought to remove Clark, a convicted fel-

"We want to take this opportu-

nity to support Frank Clark," said Ward 9 Alderman Oliver Hendricks. "He is an alderman elected by people in his ward, seated by this board of aldermen by the community, and we support him over 1,000 percent."

Ward 7 Alderman Roosevelt Malone said Clark's record seemed to be questioned only when he no longer supported certain positions.

"As soon as he takes a mind to do something else, they try to mud him to death," Malone said.

The council voted 7-0 in Clark's favor. Reese had left the meeting early.

Tax increase

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Four years to bring the total in line with the combined limit of elementary and high school districts, officials said.

Currently, separate high school and elementary districts may each tax up to 25 cents on \$100 of assessed valuation. Community unit districts have had a building fund rate ceiling of 37.5 cents until this year, the first of the four-year plan.

Under the backdoor referendum system, the school board may raise the tax after a public hearing, which was held immediately prior to the Dec. 7 board meeting. Residents of the district then have 30 days in which to file petitions protesting the increase. If petitions are gathered, the issue will be placed on the March election ballot. If petitions are not submitted within 30

days, the board action automatically takes effect.

Despite the increase, the total new levy is nearly \$200,000 less than last year's \$965,684.

Superintendent Dan Koscielni attributed the difference to the board's decision to set a higher level a year ago, in line with its expectation of a major increase in real estate assessment. That increase did not occur, and the rate limits when applied to the assessments were not exceeded, less than had been levied.

The new levy provides \$396,000 for education, \$110,000 for the Illinois municipal retirement fund, \$70,000 for liability insurance, \$66,000 for Social Security, \$42,000 for transportation, \$10,400 for the working cash fund, \$10,500 for fire prevention, safety, environmental costs and energy conservation, and \$8,400 for special education.

Buckler

Mary Alice (Wells) Buckler, 89, of Edwardsville, formerly of Granite City, died at 7:25 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, 1989, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville.

She was born July 24, 1900, in Charleston, Ill. Mrs. Buckler was a homemaker and a member of the Edwardsville Elks Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elzie L. Buckler, who died Nov. 2, 1973; they were married Oct. 2, 1919. Also preceding her in death were 11 brothers and one sister.

Survivors include two sons, Gerald L. Buckler of Edwardsville and Robert C. Buckler of Virginia Beach, Va.; one daughter, Mrs. Fred S. (Helen) Rehage of Germantown, Wis.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at Mateo's Funeral Home, Edwardsville, with the Rev. James Johnston officiating. Burial was at Woodlawn Cemetery, Edwardsville. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Hutson

Brenton D. Hutson Sr., 75, of Granite City died at 5:11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, 1989, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He had been ill for 5½ years and was in the hospital for four weeks.

Mr. Hutson was born Oct. 18, 1914, in Paducah County, W.Va., and had lived most of his life in Granite City. He retired as an electrician at Granite City Steel, where he had worked for 50 years.

Preceding him in death was a son, Ernest Hutson Jr., in 1988.

Survivors include his wife, Alice (Knecht) Hutson; one son, Michael Hutson of Granite City; one daughter, Mrs. Steve (Brenda) Rains of Granite City; three brothers, Kenneth Hutson of Lexington, Ky.; John Hutson of Cincinnati; one sister, Mrs. Elden (Dolores) Gorrell of Granite City; and four grandchildren.

Visitation was held Monday at Irwin Chapel, 2880 Maryville Road, Maryville. Funeral services were held Tuesday, with the Rev. David Fielding officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Revocations

East St. Louis residents whose driver's licenses have been revoked by Secretary of State Jim Edgar's office for conviction of driving under the influence of alcohol include:

• Charles Davis, 58, of the 2400 block of 29th Street, arrested Sept. 20, 1988, convicted Oct. 26.

• Connie E. Farley, 32, of the 4000 block of Kirkpatrick Homes, arrested Jan. 30, 1988, convicted Oct. 27.

• Linda G. Johnson, 32, of the 1000 block of 29th Street, arrested Sept. 20, 1988, convicted Oct. 26.

• Cynthia L. Jones, 29, of the 1000 block of 29th Street, arrested Sept. 20, 1988, convicted Oct. 26.

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Society

**45 attend
bridal shower**

A bridal shower was held for Amy Achenbach on Nov. 19 at the Fellowship Hall of Hope Lutheran Church.

The shower was given by her bridesmaids: Janet Niles, Lisa Jones, Stephanie Ashley, Laura Antoff and Bobbie Brandt.

Forty-five guests attended, and many prizes were awarded. A book of names was served.

Achenbach will become the bride of Keith Antoff of Granite City on Dec. 30.

Parents of the future bride are Mr. and Mrs. Philip (Joan) Achenbach.

**Marriage
licenses**

The following marriage licenses were issued through the office of Evelyn M. Bowles, Madison County clerk:

Thomas E. Campbell and Rhonda C. Robinson, both of Madison.

John M. Carbone and Diane J. Turner, both of Granite City.

Earl Junior Casey of Venice and Geneva M. Thomas of Herin.

Timothy J. Connor and Lynda J. Lucas, both of Granite City.

Kevin A. Freeman and G. Dorette Hamlett, both of Granite City.

Troy A. Glendening and Paulette Jordan, both of Granite City.

Mark J. Hessler and Pamela S. Dudak, both of Granite City.

Tony L. Jackson of Granite City and Tonja Renee Fears of Edwardsville.

David Michael Ishum and Elizabeth Carol Schoeber, both of Granite City.

Jimmy Dale Kirk and June Louise Sawyer, both of Granite City.

Larry R. McCracken and Shari S. Christ, both of Granite City.

Thomas J. and Donna Karsch, both of Granite City.

Frank P. Pace and Kelly L. Gentry, both of Granite City.

Garry M. Powers and Linda K. Eller, both of Granite City.

Lee Resselle and Ann D. Carver, both of Granite City.

Kelly R. Scrum of Madison and Jennifer L. Wright of Collinsville.

Donald Eugene Smithers Sr. of Collinsville and Stephanie Rene Walden of Granite City.

Richard Joe Sutton and Tracie Kay Hoffman, both of Granite City.

Ronald E. Warren of St. Louis and Venda A. Bauer of Granite City.

Raymond Dale Wyatt and Pamela Jean Mayes, both of Granite City.

**Holy Family group
orders sweat shirts**

The monthly meeting of the High School Association of Holy Family Catholic School was held Nov. 27 in the school cafeteria.

Prior to the meeting, a newly purchased popcorn machine for the school was on display, with sample popcorn for everyone. Also on display were samples of the school's new sweat shirts and pants, which were available to order.

The meeting was opened by Chairman Dorothy Ronk, and the opening prayer was given by the Rev. William P. Melville. Sister M. Anne then gave the principal's report, updating events for the children during the holiday season. She also announced that the school's annual Apple program will be Dec. 14 at Holy Family Church.

Judine Lux reported on the Apple for Students' program, which she said is a huge success at the school. According to a school spokesman, Lux has put a lot of time and effort into the program to benefit the children.

The PSA-sponsored Santa Workshop will be held Dec. 4 for students to purchase Christmas presents and have them wrapped and tagged.

Woody Halbrook of the Athlet-
ics Committee reported on the bus basketball and volleyball season. He also reported that volunteers are needed to help with the games in setting up, cleaning up and during the games.

Brenda Roosevelt reported on the success of the first monthly fish fry on Nov. 10 and the upcoming fry on Dec. 8.

Closing remarks were made, and a 50/50 drawing was held. A hand-decorated Christmas sweat shirt was given as door prize.

Parents then viewed the evening's programs: a video presentation on the effects of and the dangers of heavy metal music.

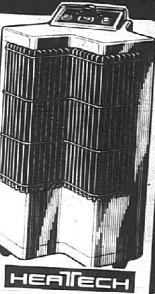
Next month's meeting will be held Jan. 22. Babysitting will be provided.

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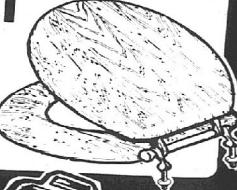
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Preparing food and keeping house has changed dramatically since Laura Ingalls Wilder wrote about frontier life. Her books provide a clear chronicle of living in the "old days."

Sally Walker has compiled a book of recipes based on the food mentioned in the Wilder books. The cookbook is "The Little House Cookbook" (Harper and Row Publishers), \$5.95.

"Cooking remains one of the few essential household activities that adults and children or older and younger children can share in their own life," Walker says in her book.

The recipes in the book offer a wonderful way to share the literature of Wilder with your children.

The following recipes taken from the book could grace your table this holiday season.

*Cranberry Jelly as prepared by Ma on Christmas Eve morning:

For six servings you will need: 1 lb. cranberries, 2½ cups granulated sugar. Pick over and wash the cranberries, discarding any soft ones. Place them in a cup of water in a 8-quart kettle and bring to a boil. Add berries and cook over medium heat for about 15 minutes, stirring frequently. Remove 1 cup of water and pour 1 quart more water over berries.

To unmold, place serving dish face down on top of mold, invert so that dish is underneath mold and shake gently. Remove mold and turn jelly with a fork.

*Fried Apples in Onions, Almanzo's favorite food in "Farmer Boy."

For six servings you will need: 1 lb. sliced bacon or salt pork, 6 lbs. yellow onions, 6 lbs. tart apple, 2 tablespoons brown sugar. Fry bacon or salt pork slices in 12-inch skillet until brown and crisp. Set them aside on a platter. Sear the onions, while the meat is frying, peel the onions, leaving the stems to hold for slicing.

Core the apples and cut them crosswise in circles about ¼



Jane Cosby

inch thick. Apple skins help the slices keep their shape and add color to the dish, so don't peel unless skins are tough.

Drain all but 1 tablespoon of fat from the skillet, then add the onions. Cover and simmer over medium-high heat for about 3 minutes. Cover with apple slices in an even layer. Sprinkle brown sugar over all, cover the skillet, and cook until onions are tender, about 10 minutes. Stir only to prevent scorching. Remove to the warm plate with bacon or salt pork slices.

Parcips were served for Christmas dinner at the Walker house.

For six servings you will need: 3 lbs. large parsnips with tops, 1½ lbs. onions, a bunch of salt and pepper, 4 to 6 tablespoons of butter and vinegar. Wash parsnips and trim off tails. Simmer in a 4 quart kettle in water to cover about 15 minutes, then add a little parsnip water, a small pat of butter, scrape skin with a table knife and chop parsnips.

Slice the cool parsnips lengthwise in strips ½ inch wide. Season with salt and pepper. Scrape and dredge each strip in it. Heat 2 tablespoons of butter in skillet until foamy, then add as many slices as will cover the pan. Turn over. Brown on both sides for a few minutes, then turn and cook through, about 10 minutes in all. Remove to warm platter. Repeat until all slices are cooked, adding butter to the skillet as needed. Serve while these are best eaten with a sprinkling of vinegar.

"The Little House Cookbook" is available through B. Dalton Booksellers.

Jane Cosby is a freelance writer in the St. Louis area.

Senior Menus

Wednesday, Dec. 13 - Beef stew, mashed potatoes, biscuits, pudding.

Thursday - Smoked sausage, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, frost cake.

Friday - Beef tips with gravy, buttered noodles, peas and carrots, peaches.

Monday - Barbecued boneless rib, baked beans, cole slaw, apple sauce.

Tuesday - Cubed steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, Italian mixed vegetables, brownies.

Seniors Council gathering Dec. 18

The Granite City Council of Seniors will host a Christmas dinner and dance on Dec. 18.

Tickets are available at the Senior Office, 100 E. Delano Ave. A \$5 donation is requested and doors must be shown at the door.

Doors to the Township Hall will open at 5 p.m., dinner to be served at 6 and dancing to the Alley Kats from 7 to 10 p.m.

Those who wish transportation should call 477-1215.

Nursing home lap robes are topic

Lucille Johnson will present a program on nursing home lap robes at 1 p.m. on Dec. 16 at the Granite City Branch Library, 2145 Johnson Road.

During her presentation, Johnson will tell what materials are needed to make a lap robe and the measurements required for a proper fit. She also will show examples of her work.

For six years, Johnson has been sewing lap robes tailored to fit people using a wheelchair. Her talk will be free.

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Prescribed drugs — be informed

This column addresses topics of concern to senior citizens and is issued by Lt. Gov. George Ryan's Senior Action Centers. The centers' toll-free phone number is 1-800-253-6565. In the Springfield area, call 217-782-6565.

Recently, I was visiting my elderly aunt. I noticed that she had a counter full of medications — both prescription and over-the-counter drugs. When I asked her about them, she told me she was taking nearly all of them on a daily basis. Is that normal? Is it safe?

A. Taking multiple medications, prescription as well as over-the-counter, is very common among the older population. But it can be dangerous, because people develop more health problems as they grow older, they frequently take several medications. Side effects are usually more severe due to the changes in their bodies. Medications stay in their system longer and increase the drugs' effects. For example, one of the most common side effects is dizziness, which is especially dangerous for older people.

The best advice you can give your aunt is to encourage her to check with her doctor. She should be honest with him and tell him about all

the medications she is taking — both prescription and over-the-counter medications. If she is experiencing any problems with the medications she is taking, she should also mention this to the doctor.

It is especially important for her to follow the doctor's or pharmacist's directions for the dosage of medications. Before she purchases over-the-counter drugs, she should check with the pharmacist and tell him what she is currently taking and discuss any possible side effects.

When going to the doctor, encourage your aunt to ask the following types of questions:

•What is the name of the drug?

•Why am I taking it? What is it for?

•How often should I take it?

•How long must I take it?

•Will there be any side effects? If I experience any, do I need to check with the doctor immediately?

•Is there anything special I should know about taking the drug?

By working closely with her doctor and pharmacist, your aunt can reap the true intended benefits of medications.

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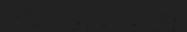
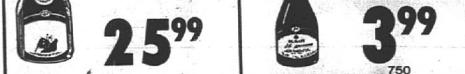
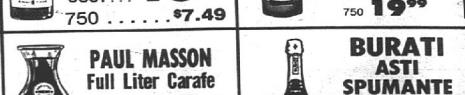
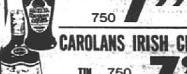
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Organizations**Brownies, parents receive world pins**

Brownie Troop 316 held an investiture ceremony at the Granite City Knights of Columbus Hall. Troop leaders Kathy Lickenbrock and Jane Jackstadt presented the girls and some parents with Brownie and World Association pins and Cookie Rally patches.

Scouts who received pins were: Afton Denkler, Kristina Groboski, Sarah Jackstadt, Erin Langenstein, Megan Ryan, Lauren Blankenship, Diana Lichtenbrock, Katie Schutzenhofer, Lisa Morrissey, Lauren Puszczek, Tiffany Harris, Robyne Fields, Tiffany Ballew, Rachel Mueller and Denise Mueller.

Receiving adult Girl Scout pins were assistant leaders Donna Langenstein and Karen Puszczek.

Adults who received the Cookie Rally Patch were: Debra Ryan, Karen Schutzenhofer, Helen Mueller, Debra Morrison, Karen Puszczek and Kathy Lickenbrock.

Ladies Sodality elects officers

The St. Elizabeth Ladies Sodality elected officers at its Nov. 28 meeting.

Elected were: president, Nancy Norris; vice-president, Catherine Ponce; secretary, Mary Evelyn Yencho; and treasurer, Agnes Friedel.

The officers were installed at the Ladies Advent Party on Dec. 7.

Norris presided in the absence of the president. There were 38 members.

Reports were given covering the Christmas Bazaar held Nov. 12.

Announcements were made of the following upcoming events: Number One Party to be held at Colonial Haven on Dec. 12, with Linda Bukanac and Carmen Schwartz, chairmen; and the Parish Advent Dinner-Dance on Dec. 16, chaired by Dorothy Volk.

The meeting in January will be a layette shower for Church Women United and will be hosted by mothers of kindergarten students.

"Pot of the Month" winner was Veronica Williamson; "Pot of Gold" winner, Maxine Czerniejewski; Madonna winner, Kathi Kuehl and a gift basket winner, Mrs. Miller. Refreshments were served by mothers of seventh-grade students.

Following the business session, entertainment was provided by the Dance Studio of Granite City under the direction of Tomi Pollock.

Nurse alumnae celebrate holidays

A Christmas party for the St. Elizabeth Alumnae members and their guests was held at the Price Support Center on Dec. 5.

A dinner was served, and each person attending was given favors and a gift. Members were given new literary booklets for 1990.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m., March 20 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Attending were: Isabel Cariss, Louis Pittman, Shirley Wendel, Janice Wendel, Delores Stalecker, Marge Hilker, Ruth Smith, Jean Butler, Linda Clegg, Carol McCoy, Ann Klarich, Al Klarich, Dorothy Bruce, Bernadine Cooley, Eunice Oros, Audrey Sperry, Marie Richardson, Alma M. Ryan, Alfred King and Josephine Cervino.

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George and Dorothy Vasiloff entertained with Christmas music.

Memorial service observed by Elks

The Elks observed its annual memorial services for eight members who had died: Past Exalted Ruler Harry Taylor, B.E. Holt, Wm. C. Clegg, William Hart, Robert Warford, Elmer Forcade, Herman Schroeder and Walter Simmons.

Exalted Ruler Dennis Riggs presided, and the officers performed ritual services. Rev. Jim Johnson of the Michael Presbyterian Church gave the sermon.

The Collinsville Show Choir, under the direction of A. Bilderback, sang. Following was a reception sponsored by Rosemary Riggs and Paula Thouvenot.

The initiation of Bill Gattong was performed during the Elks' district deputy visit. Riggs and the officers performed the ritual with District Deputy Herschel Jones of Granite City and the district officers in attendance.

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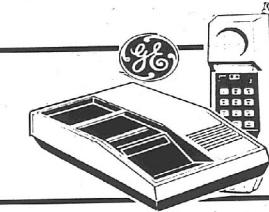
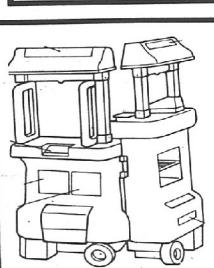


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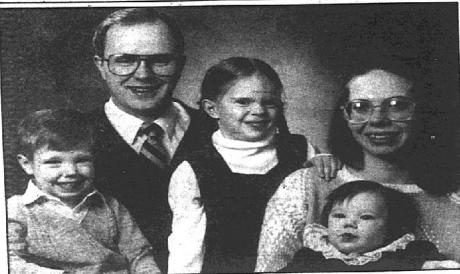
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BECOMING THE FIRST full-time pastor of Bethel Evangelical Free Church of Granite City is Steven Hurd, posing with his wife, Karen, and their three children.

Pastor accepts call here

Steven B. Hurd has accepted a call to be pastor of Bethel Evangelical Free Church of Granite City. The call came from a unanimous vote of the membership on Dec. 3. He will be the church's first full-time pastor.

Robert Widbin of St. Louis had been the part-time pastor of the church for the past 40 years. He retired from that office on Nov. 5. Hurd had served as interim pastor since June after Widbin had announced his plans to retire, and as interim pastor between Nov. 6 and Dec. 3.

Hurd holds a bachelor's degree from Northeast Missouri State University, where he studied with a double major in psychology and criminal justice. He will soon receive a master of divinity degree from Trinity School.

Hurd and his wife Karen Ruth Willman have three children, Kathryn Ann, 5; David Lee, 3; and Ruth Elaine, 1. Bethel Evangelical Free Church is at 2450 Stratford Lane at Maryville Road in Granite City.

Swing Choir sings at Central Christian

The Swing Choir of Granite City High School, under the direction of Gail Mueller, presented two groups of singing for the Ladies Coterie at its Christmas party on Dec. 7 at the Central Christian Church luncheon.

Following a medley of Christmas tunes, Millie Mead introduced Mueller, who said she appreciated the past support of scholarships given by the Ladies Coterie.

The club voted to obtain pointsettias from the original Cord Sodas for the three members who are in a nursing home.

Mrs. James Fox delivered a verbal thank-you from Mrs. Ed Reiske for all the club had done for him.

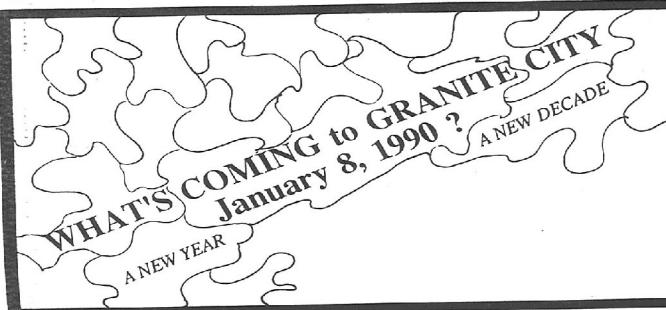
"Happy Birthday" was sung to Madeline James Fox, Emmett Beeler, Marvin Eddington, Leonard Oram and George Filicoff.

Prior to the program, the luncheon presented by the women of the church, was served. Tableware were decorated with handmade cloth Christmas trees, a copper angel candlestick and lighted red candles. On the decorative committee were Mrs. David Friedmann and Mrs. Leon Leonard.

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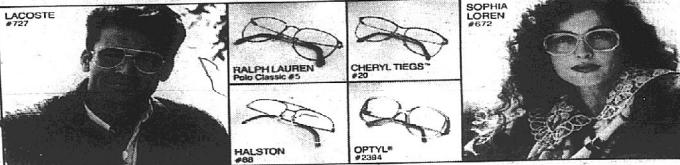
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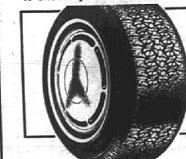


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Feds set stricter rules for 3-county incinerator

By Jason Moody
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — County officials say new federal regulations will not affect plans to build a municipal garbage incinerator in St. Clair, Madison and Monroe counties.

However, a spokesman for Kait-Seghers Inc., the firm likely to build the proposed waste-to-energy plant, voiced concern over sections of the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines released Nov. 30.

Among other things the new regulations would impose strict smoke emission standards,

require municipalities seeking permits to exceed at least 25 percent of all city garbage, and prohibit the burning of lead-acid batteries.

"We can't have a recycling or separation system at the plant if it costs too much," said Arthur Beckman, vice president of the St. Louis-based incinerator company.

"The municipalities will have to make sure that the material they bring to the plant meets new requirements," Beckman added, referring to recycling levels and battery burning restrictions.

In response to state demands, the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council conducted a two-year, \$250,000 comprehensive waste management study for the three counties. The study outlined proposals for a 1,500-ton waste-to-energy plant near Alton, or two smaller incinerators in Alton and Granite City.

Frank Boyne, a member of the St. Clair County Board's Solid Waste Subcommittee, said the tri-county area is "nowhere near meeting the 25 percent recycling requirement."

However, he said, "Completion of a new incinerator is at least 10 years down the line, so we have plenty of time to meet the federal guidelines."

No travel for Costello, Poshard

By Sabrina Eaton
P-R/Washington bureau

WASHINGTON — With Congress recess until January, federal legislators from this region are visiting their districts and traveling to Israel, Turkey and Eastern Europe on trips financed by taxpayers and private groups.

House Majority Leader Richard A. Gephardt of St. Louis County scheduled a congressional fact-finding trip to Poland, Czechoslovakia and West Berlin from Dec. 10 to Dec. 15.

"He will be learning more about the situation there, talking with government officials and political analysts. He is also American who are working over there," said Gephardt press secretary Deborah Johns.

Carterville Democrat Glenn E. Dill, 2nd Dist., will be joined on visits to hospitals in southern Illinois by Rep. Michael Synar, an Oklahoma Democrat with whom he is

working on rural health care legislation.

Sen. Christopher S. "Kit" Bond, R-Mo., will travel to Israel at the end of December on a trip sponsored by the American Friends of Israel. Bond spokesman David Ayers said Bond also has tentative plans to accompany a congressional delegation to South America.

Rep. Harold Volkmer, D-Hanibal, Mo., will accompany three other congressmen on a visit to Turkey at the expense of the Foreign Policy Institute in Atlanta, Ga. That trip will focus on Turkey's pivotal role as the only NATO country that borders the Soviet Union.

Sen. John C. Danforth, R-Mo., Sen. Paul Simon, D-III, Missouri Reps. William L. Clay, Jr., James T. Price, and Jack Buerkner, B-Kirkwood, and Illinois Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Belleville, will divide their attention between Washington, D.C., and their districts, spokesmen said. None are

planning foreign travel. The schedule of Sen. Alan Dixon, D-III, has not been finalized, said spokesman Bill Adams.

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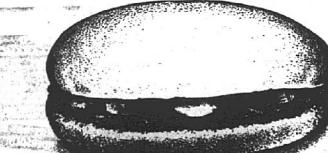
St. Clair's 200th

Area residents will have an opportunity next year to celebrate as St. Clair County turns 200 years old.

Marilyn Neumeyer, chairman of the Projects Committee, the St. Clair County Bicentennial Commission, said many activities are being planned for the celebration, which will start in 1990 and conclude July 4, 1991.

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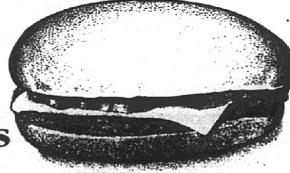
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According to an EPA press release, the new guidelines were issued in response to "interest by local officials in recycling and the use of incinerators to manage growing volumes of municipal waste."

However, the rules come in the wake of a growing campaign by environmental groups to

impose a moratorium on the construction of new incinerators because of their impact on air quality.

"Incineration is dangerous, expensive and unnecessary," said consumer advocate Ralph Nader at a press conference sponsored by a coalition of environmental groups prior to EPA's

release of the new guidelines.

The 25 percent recycling goal is "designed to provide a cloak of environmental legitimacy for incineration programs, which can expect to develop quickly even if the goal is adopted," Nader said.

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NFPA lists heating equipment top cause of home fires

In this decade, more than 800 people per year have died in their homes from fires begun by heating equipment, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

The NFPA lists heating equipment as the No. 1 cause of home fires in the United States.

"Fireplaces, chimneys and space heaters cause nearly half of those fires, and more than half of all the civilian deaths resulting from home heating fires are caused by wood stoves, portable kerosene heaters, portable electric heaters and fixed-area, gas-fueled heat-

ers," said association President Robert W. Grami.

Nearly all these fires and fatalities could have been prevented, according to the NFPA. Major causes include lack of regular cleaning; failing to allow space for portable and space heaters; and poor construction or design of wood-burning heating equipment; and improper fueling of liquid and gas-fueled heating equipment.

When purchasing new heating equipment, the NFPA recommends you select products which have been tested and approved by an independent testing laboratory.

Install and maintain equipment correctly and be sure it complies with local fire and building codes.

The association offers these suggestions to prevent a heating equipment fire in your home:

• Portable heaters can be either electric-powered or kerosene-fueled. Both types must be placed at least 36 inches away from anything combustible, including wallpaper, bedding, clothing, pet and people.

Never leave space heaters on when you leave home or go to bed.

Don't leave children or pets

unattended with space heaters and be sure everyone knows that drying wet mittens or other combustibles over space heaters is a fire danger.

• Fireplaces — Have your equipment inspected by a professional prior to the start of every heating season and cleaned if necessary. Creosote, a chemical substance that forms when wood burns incompletely, can collect in chimneys and cause a chimney fire if not properly cleaned.

Always protect your home and your family by using a sturdy screen when burning fires.

Remember to burn only

wood — never burn paper or pine boughs, they can float out the chimney and ignite a neighboring house.

Never use flammable liquids in a fireplace. If purchasing a factory fireplace, select one listed by a test laboratory.

• Wood stoves — Be sure your wood or coal stove bears the label of a recognized testing laboratory. It must meet local fire codes. Follow manufacturers' recommendations for proper use and maintenance.

Be sure to check with your local fire department and check local codes before having your

wood stove installed.

Burn only wood and be sure the wood stove is placed on an approved stove board to protect the floor from heat and hot

coals. Chimney connections and chimney flues should be inspected at the beginning of each heating season and cleaned if necessary. Follow the same safety rules for wood stoves as you would for space heaters.

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Woman gets joy playing Santa to needy families

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

PONTOON BEACH — She's making her list, checking it twice. Gonna find out ... who needs it the most.

She is Dottie Farrell, and this is the seventh year she has collected for her own little Christmas toy drive for needy children. By the time she is done, she will have brought a little holiday cheer to more than 200 area youngsters.

Farrell solicits area businesses and individuals every year to raise between \$2,500 and \$3,000 to buy new and used toys. She repairs those that need repair, wraps them and gives them to needy children's parents to give to their children.

"I don't want to take dignity away from the parents," Farrell said. She said that particular aspect of her plan of giving comes from an experience she had while growing up in Kennett, Mo., the oldest of eight children in a poor family.

One year she got a Christmas toy donated by a kindy person. Her mother started crying as she opened it.

"I said, 'Why are you crying, momma?' She said, 'I just wish Dad and I had been able to give it to you.'

But she has also arranged for families to "adopt" other families for Christmas. She said sometimes those donors want to remain anonymous.

"I tell them, 'You can do that, but you're cheating yourself by not seeing how grateful they (the recipients) are.'

One couple adopted a family several years ago, who were still buying toys and baking cookies. At Farrell's insistence, they visited the family on Christmas Eve, intending to stay for only a few minutes.

They stayed four hours.

"Dottie," the wife told Farrell,

"The best things in life are free..."

— compassion for your fellow man, and to be taught right and wrong as a child."

Dottie Farrell

"It was the greatest Christmas ever."

Farrell said she got the idea for her toy drive in 1984 while visiting a friend who owned a gift shop. A few days earlier, the owner of a local construction company had given the woman a job with contributions to give gifts to needy families.

"I was touched by his generosity," Farrell said. Then she thought, "If he is so concerned, there has to be other people who feel that way."

It's a time-consuming job for Farrell. What does she get out of it? That is best illustrated by the individual memories she has of Christmas past.

One year, she had a second-hand tricycle she couldn't quite figure out what she should get. It was right before Christmas, and a woman came by and picked up some old Farrel's and for her family. With her was a little boy.

He saw the tricycle and his eyes got big. Exclaiming to his mother, "Mom, there's my baby!" he ran over and hopped on it.

His embarrassed mother said, "Oh, Santa Claus might not have got that for you."

Dottie Farrell beamed as she finished the story. "I said, 'Oh, yes, I did.'"

She told the mother, "Faith does a lot of things. God does work in mysterious ways!"

Farrell also gives away food and clothing. She emphasized that she could spread the joy she spreads "without the help

and generosity of others giving, caring and sharing."

Sometimes the body needs nourishing as well as the spirit. Last year, Farrell took toys and food baskets to a family in which the father was sick with cancer.

"The kids overlooked the gifts. They said, 'Look, mom, food!' When a child overlooks gifts, you know they're really hungry."

Farrell said she got her Christmas spirit from her mother, despite being 88 and nearly blind. "crochets all year long to make lap robes for people in nursing homes. That tells you where my roots are," Farrell said.

"The best things in life are free," Farrell said. "But some people don't even know what those things are — compassion for your fellow man, and to be taught right and wrong as a child."

(Anyone wishing to contribute money, toys, clothing or food to Farrell's Christmas project may call her at 397-0094 or write her at 6 Eastgate Drive, Pontoon Beach, Ill. 62940.)



(Staff photo by Andy Siering)
DOTTIE FARRELL of Pontoon Beach poses with a stuffed panda that will brighten some needy child's Christmas. Behind her are several hundred other toys she will give away.

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Bermuda is the place for spring

By Randy Mink
For the Journal

Bermuda connoisseurs who cherish the spring Rendezvous season know that good times don't require sand and 85-degree weather.

Rendezvous time, which began Nov. 15 and runs through March, is Bermuda's spring. It is a perfect time to not only to visit and play golf, tennis as well as poking into the island's treasure-filled crannies. Temperatures reach the high 60s or low 70s, with nights around 60 degrees.

Bermuda is an isolated Atlantic island group about 600 miles off the coast of North Carolina. The self-governing outpost of 65,000 people lies about halfway from New York to Nassau, Bermuda's main island (really seven isles connected by bridges and causeways) is about 20 miles long and 2½ miles across at its widest point.

Whereas winter is the prime tourist season in the Caribbean, Bermuda is busiest from April to October. And in contrast to developing countries in the West Indies, Bermuda boasts the world's highest standard of living, according to World Bank rankings. To preserve its enviable quality of life, the strict British ban on bars, outdoor advertising and neon signs, prohibits tourists from renting cars and is fussy about hotel development.

The bargain-priced Rendezvous season, when hotel rates plunge as much as 40 percent, is the period favored by Bermuda aficionados who come back time and again. In most cases, the quiet atmosphere and cooler weather as for the good value.

Weekly rendezvous events spotlight Bermuda's history and culture. Scheduled for second Saturday of each month, for example, are free guided walking tours of the capital; a Skirling Ceremony with kilts, bagpipes, drummers and dancers; and a fashion show with complimentary tea and cake.

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Long known as a golfer's haven, Bermuda offers more courses per square mile than any other country. Six of its eight courses are public. Hilltop greens afford stunning views of turquoise sea and white-roofed pastel cottages.

Afternoon pleasures, nothing could be cosier and more British than afternoon tea by the fireside in a homey parlor appointed with antiques. Proprietors of hotels, guest houses and typical Bermudian cottages colonies provide complimentary cookies and finger sandwiches or sometimes warm scones with thick jam and clotted cream.

The quiet Rendezvous season makes for great exploring. These cooler months beckon the true vagabond, the traveler who drools at the thought of being unleashed onto a beautiful island where it's still bright and breezy. There's time to wander down flower-festooned lanes, poke into museums and commune with the past.

The ideal town for nostalgia

is St. George's, Bermuda's

bust is St. Peter's, the western hemisphere's first Anglican church. Tourists always remember the fragrant cedar rafters, which date from 1713.

On the West End's Somerset Island, active vacationers enjoy hiking and biking on the Railway Trail, a recreational path that follows the route of the old Bermuda Railway Co. The Somersett Railway Alley Print Shop with its working 18th century press.

The town's showcase

Ship changes home haven

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'Christmas Vacation' full of laughs

This is a bad holiday movie season for cat owners. In the 20th Century Fox release, "The War of the Roses," a cat gets backed over by a car in a driveway. In the Warner Brothers release "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation," a cat is electrocuted by Clark Griswold when he plugs in his Christmas tree.

It's safe to say that the cat-loving crowd will not be meowing about either of these motion pictures.

But for those with less feline sensitivity, "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (*** will be a holiday haul of laugh-out-loud fun as the Griswolds decide to spend a family Christmas at

home with the relatives in the suburbs.

After an ill-fated excursion to the hinterlands of northern Illinois and Jolly Jerry's Saw 'n' Save Xmas Tree Ranch, Clark and the family return to the Chicago suburbs where the next two major mishaps include getting the oversized tree in the house and stringing the homestead with thousands of yellow Christmas lights.

Clark finally figures out how to get all the lights to work, the glow from the house can be seen in several neighboring states. The local electric utility must go on auxiliary nuclear power every time Clark plugs in the display. The next door neighbor

bears are blinded. But those are minor inconveniences when compared to the family trouble that ensues as parents, in-laws and company Eddie (John Goodman) and his family show up. Eddie has a new dog, appropriately named Snots.

"National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" was written by John Hughes, who has been responsible for more Chicago-based comedy than the Democratic party. The film is a perfect comedy vehicle for Chevy Chase. D'Andrea returns as Clark's wife Ellen, but two new, younger actors, Johnny Galecki and Juliette Lewis, play the Griswold kids, Rusty and Audrey.

Also appearing in "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" are Diane Ladd, E.G. Marshall, Brian Doyle Murray and William Hickey.

Rated PG-13 (two brief scenes with mild nudity).

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Marshall fall fest features creature of haunted class

Marshall School PTA held its annual Fall Fun Festival in the school gym and cafeteria. Highlights of the day were a haunted classroom presented by PTA President Paul Reagan, assisted by Larry and Diane Finley.

There was an old fashioned popcorn wagon, numerous games, and a novelty store selling such items as glitter wigs and creepy rubber spiders.

Haunted classroom creatures were played by Billy Causey, Sharon and Cindy Tullock and Larry Finley Jr.

Refreshments were sold in the cafeteria, including desserts made by Marshall School teachers.

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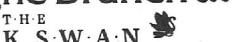
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Whip Up A Zesty Holiday Party



Chicken Livers In Wine

2 large onions, chopped
4 tbsp. butter or margarine
24 chicken livers
All-purpose flour
Salt and pepper
1 lb. mushrooms, halved
1 cup cooked ham or fried chopped bacon
1 cup chicken broth
1 cup dry red wine

Sauté onions in butter until lightly browned. Cut chicken livers in half; roll in flour seasoned with salt and pepper, and cook in same pan 4 minutes. Remove chicken livers. In same pan, sauté mushrooms and ham or bacon lightly. Stir in 1 teaspoon seasoned flour. Cook 1 minute. Stir in chicken broth and wine. Return chicken livers to pan and simmer, uncovered, 3 minutes. Makes approximately 8 servings.

Mini Barbecued Beef Sandwiches

3 to 4 lb. chuck roast
Sauce:
1½ cup catsup
1 pt. (2 cups) onion soup mix
1 tbsp. chili powder
¼ tsp. garlic powder
3 tbsp. vinegar
2 tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
2 tsp. prepared mustard
18 small sandwich buns

Heat oven to 350°. Trim fat from meat; place meat in Dutch oven and round up. In medium bowl, stir together all sauce ingredients; pour over meat. Cover; bake, turning meat once or twice, for 2 to 3 hours or until fork tender. Remove meat from sauce; skim off fat layer. Shred meat. Return meat to sauce. Serve on buns. Makes 18 small sandwiches.

Note: A slow cooker may be used. Cut meat to fit cooker; pour sauce over meat. Cook on high 4 to 5 hours or until fork tender. Continue as directed above.

Cranberry-Orange Muffins

½ cup plus 2½ cups buttermilk baking mix
2 tbsp. plus ½ cup sugar
1 tbsp. butter or margarine
¾ cup flaked coconut
2 eggs, slightly beaten
½ cup orange vanilla yogurt
½ cup frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
½ tsp. finely shredded orange peel (optional)
½ cup fresh cranberries

For coconut topping, stir together ¼ cup baking mix and 2 tablespoons sugar. Cut in margarine until crumbly. Add coconut, tossing with crumb mixture to coat. Set aside. In medium mixing bowl, beat together eggs, yogurt, juice concentrate and, if desired, orange peel. Add yogurt mixture to baking mix mixture, stirring until thoroughly combined. Gently fold in cranberries. Line 16 muffin cups with paper baking cups. Fill two-thirds full. Sprinkle with coconut topping. Bake in 350° oven 18 to 20 minutes or until done. Cool on wire racks 5 to 10 minutes; serve warm. Store in airtight container. Makes 16 muffins.

Blue Cheese And Walnut-Stuffed Olives

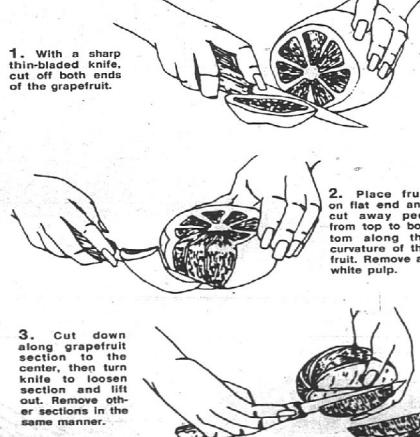
1 oz. blue cheese, crumbled (about ¼ cup)
1 oz. cream cheese
½ cup finely chopped toasted walnuts
24 whole colossal pitted ripe olives

Combine blue cheese, cream cheese and walnuts. Remove small slices from bottoms of olives so olives will stand. Stuff centers with cheese mixture. Sprinkle with additional walnuts, if desired. Cover and chill until ready to serve. Makes about 2 dozen.

Honey-Kirsch Grapefruit

6 red grapefruit
½ cup honey
½ cup kirsch
Mint leaves (optional)

Section grapefruit (see illustration). Combine honey and kirsch; pour over grapefruit, stirring gently to combine. Cover and refrigerate 30 minutes to several hours. Spoon into individual glasses or dessert dishes; garnish with mint, if desired. Makes about 12 servings.



By Lynn Venhaus

Journal Staff Writer

The urge to have a party has hit. You're in the mood to be a hostess during this hectic time of year. You feel the need to reciprocate for all the functions you've been invited to this year.

But there's not enough time and not enough money. When there's a will, there's a way. A simple brunch, light lunch or late-night supper can be economical choices that don't have to take a lot of time.

Take advantage of supermarket deli specials and assemble your own cold meat platter. Whip up a zesty mustard spread, mix and buy some crackers, and you've got yourself a sandwich that will satisfy.

Even inexperienced party-givers can assemble a meat tray in a jiffy. Deli employees will be happy to slice the meats thin for easy folding—just ask. If you prefer hot sandwiches, make ahead baked beef in advance and just heat and slice at party time.

For an easy main dish alternative, a robust salami, cheese and vegetable tart will not only taste great but look fabulous on your party table.

If you want to add a few fancy nibbles, stuff giant pitted olives with blue cheese-pikled cream cheese. Cucumbers, which are easily peeled out and a flavorful cream cheese mixture stuffed inside, can be turned into attractive little snacks—just cut into slices and serve.

A deceptively economical party dish is chicken livers in wine. It's a no-cook treat that can be made a day ahead. The day of the party, just reheat gently and serve in chafing dish or casserole.

For sweets, a tray of homemade Christmas cookies and some fresh fruit will be a festive finale. Grapefruit is in season now and can be dressed up with honey and kirsch. Honey-kirsch grapefruit is a refreshing choice. For brunch, make cranberry-orange muffins in a snap with packaged buttermilk baking mix.

Cucumber Appetizers

2 pkg. (3 oz. each) chive cream cheese, softened
¼ cup chopped stuffed green olives
3 cucumbers, peeled

Halve cucumbers lengthwise and scoop out seeds with spoon or corer. Combine cheese and olives and fill hollows with cheese mixture. Press halves together; wrap tightly in plastic wrap and chill. Cut crosswise into ½-inch slices and serve.

Note: If you want to score cucumbers for an attractive presentation, leave green peel intact. Take fork and run tines through the peel, scoring the entire vegetable. After filling and chilling, cut into slices and serve. Edges will appear scalloped.

Easy Onion Rolls

2 loaves (1 lb. each) frozen white bread dough
3 tbsp. margarine or butter
1 cup coarsely chopped yellow onions

Thaw bread dough according to package directions. Lightly grease each loaf of dough into 9 pieces; shape into balls and arrange in prepared pans. Cover with greased waxed paper; let rise in warm place until almost doubled, about 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook onions in butter in medium-size skillet over medium heat until tender, about 5 minutes. Cool. Spoon onions over rolls. Bake in preheated 375° oven 30 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from pans and cool on wire rack. Makes 18 rolls.

Deli Meats With Zesty Mustard Spread

1/4 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup sour cream
2 tbsp. grainy Dijon mustard
1 tbsp. prepared horseradish
1/4 cup prepared zesty mustard deli meats
Thin red onion slices (optional)
Flowering kale or parsley (optional)

Combine mayonnaise, sour cream, mustard and horseradish in small bowl; cover and chill several hours to blend flavors. Shortly before serving, arrange deli meats, onion and kale on large tray around bowl of mustard spread. Makes about 20 servings.

Savory Salami-Vegetable Tart

1 sheet (about 8½ oz.) frozen puff pastry
1 egg yolk
1 tbsp. water
1/4 cup white onion rings (1 small onion)
1 large clove garlic, minced
1 to 2 tsp. olive oil
1/4 cup each coarsely chopped red and green bell pepper
1/2 tsp. Italian seasoning

Thaw pastry at room temperature 20 minutes. Unfold; roll on lightly floured surface to 14-by-10 inch rectangle. Cut ½-inch wide strips off all sides. Transfer rectangle to baking sheet; brush with combined egg yolk and water. Place strips around outer edges to form a tart. Transfer strips to tart shell with egg mixture. Bake in preheated 425° oven for 10 minutes, or until pastry is golden. (Check after 5 minutes. If bottom is puffed, remove from oven and prick with fork until pastry deflates. Finish baking.)

Meanwhile, combine garlic and oil in 1½ teaspoons oil in medium-size skillet over medium heat 3 minutes. Add bell peppers, Italian seasoning, black pepper and additional oil, if needed. Continue cooking and stirring until peppers are crisp-tender, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in olives.

Remove pastry from oven. Add cheese to tart shell. Sprinkle overlapping strips to fit. Top with sautéed vegetables; sprinkle with cheese. Return to oven to heat through, about 3 minutes. Cut into squares with sharp knife. Makes 20 servings.

Food

Stew lightweight fare, yet warms with flavor

Anyone who thinks of stews as heavy, calorie-laden meals should think again. By following a few simple guidelines, it is easy to create lighter beef stews that are just as comforting on crisp days.

Preparing stew is quick by starting with a convenient cut, beef for stew. These meaty pieces may come from the beef chuck, back, rib or plate. Use a nonstick pan with no added fat when browning the beef chunks.

Careful selection of the remaining ingredients also is important when making a lighter Beef Stew. A simple Beef Stew is a good example. The vegetables are low-calorie fresh zucchini and bell peppers. The flavoring ingredients onions, garlic and picante sauce (either mild or medium, depending on "hotness" preference) — are low in fat but high in flavor.

Single-strength beef broth, rather than the concentrated version, is used. By combining it with cornstarch instead of flour, less starch is needed.

The result is a stew with Mexican flair and fewer than 300 calories per serving. This basic recipe for stew can be adapted or created by following basic stew cooking techniques and by using the lighter guidelines illustrated in Mexican Beef Stew.

"Although stews take time to cook, they require very little watching. Preparation times usually are short. For example, Mexican Beef Stew takes just 10 minutes to prepare."

Mexican beef stew

1 lb. beef for stew, cut in 1 to 1½ inch pieces

1 large onion, chopped

- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 can (13 oz.) single strength beef broth
- ½ cup picante sauce
- 1 large zucchini, cut in ¼ inch slices
- 1 large red or green bell pepper, cut in 1 inch pieces
- 2 tsp. cornstarch
- 2 tbsp. water

Brown beef, onion and garlic in nonstick Dutch oven over medium heat. Pour off drippings, if necessary.

Add beef broth and picante sauce. Cover tightly. Cook slowly 1½ hours, stirring occasionally.

Add zucchini and pepper pieces. Continue cooking covered, 10 minutes or until beef and vegetables are tender.

Combine cornstarch and water. Add to stew. Bring to boil. Cook stirring, 2 minutes or until thickened.

Makes 4 servings; 294 calories, 29 gm. protein, 14 gm. fat, 12 gm. carbohydrate, 657 mg. sodium, 90 mg. cholesterol each.

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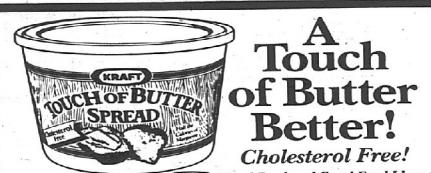
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By Janice Food editor
Amid all the excitement, the son, so chance of her life.
Melissa at Center decrease goals of keep the eat good.
Some advertise hidden dangers contain necessary says. "saturated fats, eating says they're Some site. Eg. about whole easier foods. She holds on. Avoids sweets. "When house, chips some, I like them. There a dip has 1.5 tablespoons with its 1 cup. Limited alternative thing. Low-fat oils. Rums sour cream 1½ cups cheese, and 2 cups mixture weeks gmt, saute tent, a spoon. "What in yogurt a particular Rums. Elavon conce Extract coconut

Righteous can enjoy favorites sans guilt

By Janice Denham
Food editor

Amid the holly and berries are all the exciting foods that come with the taste of the season. But there is no place in the holiday season, so give righteousness a chance by hanging onto the ideals of healthy eating.

Melissa Rudoff, registered dietitian at St. Anthony's Medical Center, says, "Reduce fat, decrease cholesterol and increase fiber — those are the goals of people who are trying to keep their hearts healthy. There is no reason you can't continue during the holidays. And they'll eat good food, too."

Some food labels are like toys advertised as safe but that have hidden dangers.

"Just because a label says 'no cholesterol' it is not necessarily a good food," Rudoff says. "It may be loaded with saturated fat. I feel like people are being tricked into thinking a bag of potato chips is OK if it says 'on the label? If it's fried in fat."

Some foods are just the opposite. Eggs, shrimp and lobster are all low in fat, high in cholesterol, so the dietitian urges eaters to go slowly on these foods.

She suggests ways to get a hold on healthy holiday eating. Avoid high-fat and salty snacks is one of them.

"When going to somebody's house, say 'Let me bring some chips and dip.' Then you bring some fresh vegetables and a low-fat dip," Rudoff urges.

There is a long bridge between a dip using sour cream, which has 1.5 gm. saturated fat per 1 tablespoon, and one using yogurt with its .3 gm. saturated fat per 1 cup.

Imitation sour cream is an alternative closest to the real thing in texture and flavor. Low-fat and nonfat yogurt offer other options.

Rudoff likes to make her own sour cream facsimile. She blends 1½ cups (1 percent) cottage cheese, ¼ cup low-fat buttermilk and 2 tablespoons lemon juice until smooth. Strain the mixture will keep 10 days to 2 weeks and tips the scale at 1 gm. saturated fat, 5 mg. cholesterol and 76 calories per 2 tablespoons.

"When cooking, be sure to stir in yogurt or sour cream substitute at the end of the recipe, particularly if the dish is hot," Rudoff says. "This way it won't melt so it doesn't become runny."

Bacon does not have to be concealed in holiday recipes. Extracts can be used in place of coconut or nuts to avoid foods

that are high in saturated fat or contain nuts on top of baked goods rather than mixing them throughout.

"When cooking or baking, choose polyunsaturated or monounsaturated margarine," Rudoff says. "Check for over-margarine when possible. The golden rule is to reduce the amount of fat, so if you take out 1 tablespoon oil, replace it with the same amount of water.

For bread, she suggests Promises margarine because it conforms most closely to these principles. She warns against using margarines for cooking because the amount of water in them can change the cookie's consistency.

For oil, Rudoff's choice for general use is Puritan, a monounsaturated oil. Other oils from peanut or avocado oils also fall into this category, but their stronger flavors make them useful only occasionally, like for sauteing or for salad dressing. If a recipe calls for a small amount of oil, Rudoff advises sticking to sunflower and safflower because they seem to do a better job of increasing "good" cholesterol.

When trying to substitute oil for solid fat, apply the principle that 1 cup shortening equals 1 cup (2 sticks) margarine or ¾ cup oil.

The righteous reveler does not have to give up pie or cake. Rudoff suggests making a pie shell with 1 cup flour, 3 tablespoons Puritan oil and 2 tablespoons water. Mix and roll out as usual. Rolling is easier between two pieces of waxed paper. Salt is not necessary.

Eggs have been found to have less cholesterol than in the past, but they are still high for a person carefully watching what he eats.

One-fourth cup egg substitute can be used for 1 egg. Two eggs also replace 1 egg and can be camouflaged with a couple drops of yellow food coloring. When using egg substitute in cake recipes, use the equivalent of 1 egg.

Here are two recipes from Rudoff, one for a salad and the second for an eggless gingerbread.

Gingerbread

1 cup flour
1 tsp. baking soda
½ tsp. ginger
½ tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. nutmeg
½ cup packed brown sugar

½ cup water
½ cup light molasses
2 tbsp. lemon juice
Spray bread pan with non-stick cooking spray.

In medium bowl, stir together flour, sugar, molasses and lemon juice. Stir into flour mixture just until blended.

Pour batter into bread pan. Cover lightly with foil. Bake 25 to 30 minutes at 350° until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean.

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Apple-raisin salad
4 golden delicious apples, chopped
bite size
½ cup low-fat vanilla yogurt
1 tsp. honey
2 tsp. lemon juice
½ tsp. cinnamon
Mix apples and raisins. Combine yogurt, honey, lemon juice and cinnamon. Mix well. Stir in apples and raisins. Chill.

Yields three (½-cup) servings.

Recipe

Oatmeal bread

1½ cups water
½ cup butter or margarine
½ cup sugar
5½ to 6 cups flour
2 cups uncooked oats
2 eggs
2 pkg. dry yeast
1 tsp. salt
1 egg white
1 tbsp. water
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Yields 2 loaves.

Heat water, butter and honey until warm or 120°.

In large mixer bowl, combine 2½ cups flour, oats, eggs, yeast, salt and water. Mix 3 minutes, scraping sides of bowl with rubber scraper while slightly rotating bowl by hand.

Knead in 2½ cups flour. Continue kneading 5 minutes. If dough is sticky, knead in enough of remaining ½ cup flour to form moderately stiff dough.

Place in greased bowl, turning

once to grease top. Let rise, covered, in warm place until doubled, about 45 minutes.

Punch down dough. Divide in two equal parts. Shape each piece into loaf. Place in two greased 9-by-5 inch pans. Cover. Let rise until doubled, about 1 hour.

Mix together egg white and water. Brush on loaves. Sprinkle top of loaves with oats.

Bake in 375° oven 40 minutes. Remove from pan. Cool on wire rack.

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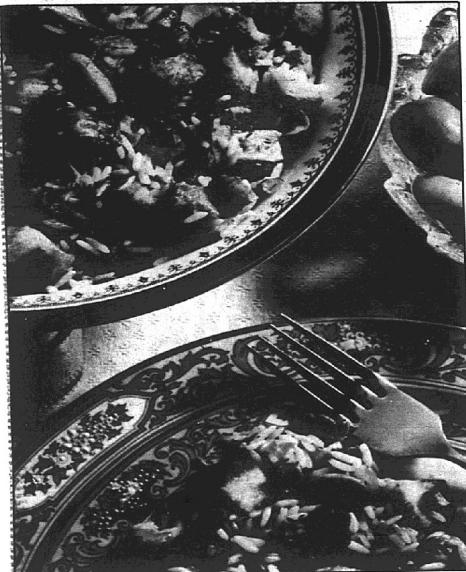
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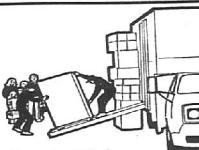
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Today, like then, various regions and ethnic groups show preference for different types of stuffing. In the South, for example, pecan and rice stuffings receive rave reviews. Among Italian-Americans, a stuffing of sausage, onion and mozzarella cheese takes center stage. And many German-Americans prefer stuffing with dried fruit, potatoes or apples.

The varieties abound, with everything from celery, spices, ham, giblets, mushrooms, olives and onions, mixed into a base of rice, chestnuts, white, whole wheat or cornbread. Whatever the preference, stuffing continues as a popular side dish, not just for the holidays but year-round. By preparing it in a separate dish, it can be served

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The following recipes offer a way to try out and at stuffing any time of the year, with any accompanying entree.

Bacon and Rice Stuffing, for example, is a delicious blend of mushrooms, onion, celery, French bread cubes, chicken broth and bacon that is simple to prepare.

Just five ingredients are all it takes to prepare Italian Medley Stuffing. Italian sausage, onion, hot pepper, Italian-style vegetables and unseasoned bread cubes. This quick and easy recipe is full of rich, zesty flavor.

Bacon and rice stuffing

1 can (14 oz.) chicken broth
1 cup uncooked regular rice
8 slices bacon
2 tbsp. butter or margarine
2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms
1 cup chopped celery
½ cup chopped onions
3 cups French bread cut in ¼ inch cubes
½ tsp. thyme leaves, crushed
2 tbsp. chopped fresh parsley

In 1-quart saucepan over high heat, heat broth to boiling. Add

rice. Reduce heat to low. Simmer, covered, 15 to 20 minutes until tender and broth is absorbed.

In 10-inch skillet over medium heat, cook bacon until crisp. Transfer to paper towels to drain. Crumble.

Heat butter with pan drippings. In hot butter and drippings, cook mushrooms, celery and onions until vegetables are tender. Add bread cubes. Toss to coat.

In 2-quart casserole, toss together vegetable mixture, rice and reserved bacon. Bake, covered, at 350° for 25 minutes. Uncover. Bake 5 minutes more. Garnish with parsley. Makes 6 cups or 12 servings.

In 10-inch skillet over medium heat, cook sausage and onion until sausage is browned and onion is tender, stirring to separate meat.

Add broth and vegetables. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat to low. Simmer, covered, 15 minutes until vegetables are tender. Add bread cubes. Toss to coat.

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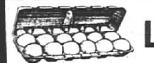
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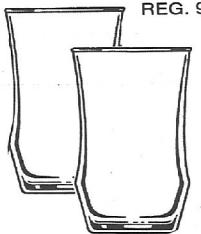
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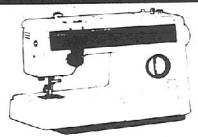


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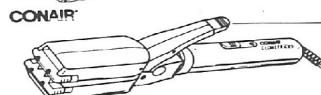
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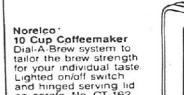
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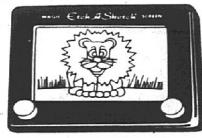
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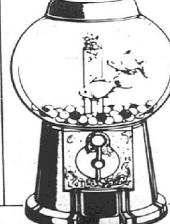


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ATTENTION:

Half of drivers ignore seatbelt law in county

By Grant Wuehlner
For the Journal

EDWARDSVILLE — Nearly half the drivers in Madison County are not wearing seat belts and some are paying for it with their lives, according to a recent survey.

The survey by the Madison County Occupant Protection Program found that 47 percent of adults driving in the county wear their front seat belts. That

is 3 percent more than last year.

Twenty-nine people were killed in traffic accidents in 1988. The county had 11 traffic fatalities in 1987.

The deaths of people who died in Madison County are counted. The coroner's office does not include injured people who are transferred out of county and later die.

"The majority of people in

accidents die from a head or abdominal injury and are the consequences of being unrestrained," Chief Deputy Coroner Ralph Baahmann Jr. said.

The survey also found that 74 percent of Madison County children who sit in the front seat were not protected. The state average is about 40 percent.

Illinois law requires all drivers and front-seat passengers 6 and older to wear seat belts.

Less polarization urged

By Dan Berger
Staff writer

Racism contributes in a major way to a divided metropolitan area. That's the premise of an 18-month study on polarization in the St. Louis area conducted by the St. Louis County Confluence.

Confluence is a non-profit group that researches regional issues and makes recommendations based on its findings.

The group released the results of its study, "A new Spirit for St. Louis: Valuing Diversity," in a courtroom at the Old Courthouse Downtown where the case against Dred Scott was heard.

The U.S. Supreme Court's Dred Scott decision, on March 6, 1857, held that a slave did not become free when taken into a free state, that Congress could not ban slaves from a territory, and that blacks could not become citizens.

Confluence members said there is a historical link between Missouri's slavery days and today.

"The vestiges of the past linger in the present," said Norman Seay, co-chairman of the Confluence Racial Polarization Task Force and director of minority affairs at the University of Missouri, St. Louis.

"We are a divided community. In nearly every criteria, St. Louis is segregated," Seay said.

Lynn Lyss, a community volunteer, also serves as a co-chairman of the task force, said denial of the problem is one of the biggest problems.

"We cannot continue to isolate and exclude a significant portion of our population," Lyss said. "We continue to deny that racial polarization is a significant problem in St. Louis. The first step for this community is to

acknowledge that it exists."

Lyss also said another misconception of racial polarization is confined to the City of St. Louis, as is believed by the community at large.

The Confluence task force includes 40 business, civic, political and religious leaders with an equal number of blacks and whites.

Asked to implement the task force recommendations will be the St. Louis City Planning Commission, chaired by the Rev. Paul C. Reinert, chancellor of St. Louis University, and Kathryn Nelson, program director for the Daniel J. Gitterman Institute.

"We are under no illusion about the seriousness or difficulty of this task," Reinert said.

"We are not naive enough to believe that these very deep-seated problems will be depicted around in a short period of time. But we hope to bring St. Louis from polarization to harmony."

Shelia Masley, executive director of Confluence, compared current events in East Germany to the task of lessening racial polarization in St. Louis.

"The most important thing we at Confluence are offering is hope," Masley said. "We think the walls are coming down all over the world and we think they can come down between white people and black people."

The task force's numerous suggestions included:

• A summit meeting of local political and civic leaders in which they would publicly admit the problem of racism and declare their intentions to oppose racial discrimination.

• Forming a citizen group that would actively promote integration, work for inclusion and take responsibility for developing

strategies to diversify the racial makeup of St. Louis' neighborhoods. It also recommended that the federal court implement the housing component of the school desegregation plan, a component that has not been addressed to date.

• Actively recruiting and promoting black police officers, integrating two-person police cars, passing "bias crime" laws and enacting legislation to return the command of the St. Louis Police Department to the city of St. Louis. Currently the state legislature controls the department.

• Integrating public and parochial schools and increasing efforts to make the current public school desegregation plan work; also, increasing education in schools to reduce prejudice in grade levels.

• Establishing a code of ethics for political candidates and reviewing campaign literature to eliminate racially charged political campaigns.

• Redesigning discussions during redistricting after the 1990 census to determine how to increase black representation on the St. Louis County Council.

• Providing a venture capital fund to provide capital entrepreneurship and employment of blacks.

• Having public relations firms promote integrated neighborhoods and reduction of prejudice.

• Urging the media to use black names in medicine, dentistry, law and economics in feature stories and to discontinuance the use of "north St. Louis" and "south St. Louis" as a geographic label.

The task force also urged the media to assign "race relations" as a regular beat.

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Candidate for comptroller hits at no-bid contracts

By Dennis McMurry
Staff writer

SPRINGFIELD — A Democratic candidate for state comptroller is continuing to attack no-bid state contracts, alleging they were used to "shake down" firms for political contributions.

Shaw Collins of Joliet, who 18 months targeted no-bid contracts awarded by Secretary of State Jim Edgar's office to cam-

paign contributors, now is focusing on Illinois Department of Transportation contracts.

Collins noted that 27 of 28 engineering firms that had received no-bid contracts of more than \$500,000 since 1987 had been regular contributors to James Thompson's campaign for Governor.

He alleged a firm that employs former transportation secretary Harry Hanley was giving

an additional \$1.2 million in work shortly after Hanley retired from the state job. Collins alleged it was a "retirement gift."

Collins charged Thompson and current transportation secretary Greg Gause, who resigned the day before to run for state treasurer, "are either selling no-bid contracts to big contributors or shaking them down after the contracts have been doled out."

He called on the two leading candidates for governor next year, Republican Edgar and Democrat Neil Hartigan, to pledge an elimination of no-bid contracts. Collins said about one-fourth of the \$300 million in no-bid contracts in a recent fiscal year were awarded by IDOT.

Taking bids for engineering work that makes up most of the IDOT no-bid contracts is banned by a federal law when federal

highway funds are used on a project, however, said IDOT spokesman Dick Adjourian.

Competitive price bidding on those types of contracts has been eliminated by federal and state laws because "engineering is still as any other consultants deal in commodity, not commodities," Adjourian said.

Adjourian said IDOT makes a cost estimate before selecting a firm for engineering or other

consultant services. He denied any connection with political contributions because contracts were awarded by a state member committee including two not employed by IDOT.

Collins said he was "trying to focus a very bright light on a problem that is disgraceful" in comparing no-bid contract awards and political contributions.

have to be made, and I feel like I can make those."

Another officeholder who has said he will support him in the primary is St. Clair Mayor Justin Justus.

Justus said he and Baricevic get along well personally and professionally, and he doesn't expect that support of Metz will affect that relationship.

Baricevic said he is thinking about running for county board chairman himself, said he will run for re-election as sheriff in 1990.

Canteen Township Supervisor Stephen Krotov, who has announced his retirement, said he was running for county board chairman, has indicated he will stay in the county race.

Another possible candidate, County Board member John Holbrook, D-Belleville, was unavailable for comment on his plans.

Tips on keeping life of party alive

The following tips were provided through the Illinois Department of Transportation, part of its campaign on drunk-en-driving awareness taking place during December.

A. Always serve food with alcohol. Tasty snacks are not only a delicious addition to any party but also can slow the rate the body absorbs alcohol.

High-carbohydrate foods such as chips and meats are especially good because they stay in the stomach longer.

B. Have several jiggers at the bar. Smaller drinks can be measured. At an informal party, guests will probably mix their own drinks. If a jigger is handy, they very well may use it rather than pouring what it is to be the "right amount."

Also, inexpensive self-measuring one-ounce spouts can be purchased and placed on bottles. Guests will be likely to drink to excess if standard measures for drinks are used.

C. If you serve an alcoholic punch, make it with a non-carbonated base so the alcohol is absorbed by the body much faster when combined with a carbonated mixer such as ginger ale. Fruit juice or tea is a preferable base for punch.

D. Have non-alcoholic beverages available for your guests. It is very likely that some of your guests will not wish to drink an alcoholic beverage. Also, a person taking certain medicines should not consume alcohol. Have soft drinks, cof-

fee, or non-alcoholic drinks for them.

E. Don't force drinks on your guests. Under normal circumstances, the body can absorb about one drink an hour. Although you want your guests to enjoy themselves, you don't want them to overdo it. Don't rush to refill their glasses the minute they become empty. Many guests appreciate it if you let them want to avoid appearing rude to the host.

F. Stop serving alcohol about an hour before the party is to end. During the last hour of your party, have coffee or some other non-alcoholic beverage available and top off the evening with a special food feature such as pizza or quiche Lorraine. Neither coffee nor any other drink will help anybody get home if they can do that. But by emphasizing non-alcoholic drinks toward the end of the party, you give your guests extra time for the body to absorb the alcohol they have consumed. With a low alcohol content in their blood, it will be safer for them to drive home.

G. If you observe a guest who is drinking too much, try this: Engage him or her in conversation, and then stop the drinking.

Offer food which will also slow down the rate at which the body is absorbing alcohol.

Offer to mix the next drink and make it a light one. Mix it with water.

By Rick Arnold
Staff writer

Supporters are starting to fall behind their favorite candidate in the race for the Democratic nomination for St. Clair County board chairman in the March primary.

State's Attorney John Baricevic received the endorsement of the Democratic screening committee at its meeting Nov. 27.

Baricevic attributed the committee's endorsement to the good relationship that he has with several segments of the Democratic Party.

He has worked within various parts of the party: labor, women, blacks, young Democrats, "he said.

While Baricevic has gotten the

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"There's nothing that can get me out of this race," he said.

One of Metz's most powerful supporters is County Board Chairman Francis Touchette, who may step down from the position.

"I have the 100 percent support of Mr. Touchette," Metz said. Metz announced his candidacy Oct. 25 after Touchette said

he would not seek re-election because of health reasons.

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Metz said his hard work in his 12 years as a county employee qualified him to be chairman.

"I've been here seven 8:30 to 5 workers," he said. "I've always had an open door policy and that's the same way I would run the county."

"The county board chairman is a full-time position. There are many critical decisions that

St. Clair County bicentennial approaching

By Rick Arnold
Staff writer

On the heels of Belleville's 175th anniversary, area residents will have an opportunity next year to celebrate as St. Clair County turns 200 years old.

"Things are going full steam ahead," said Marilyn Neumeyer, chairman of the Project Committee on behalf of committees of the St. Clair County Bicentennial Commission.

County Board member Robert Gentsch, R-Belleville, a former history teacher at Belleville East High School, is chairman of the Project Committee.

Neumeyer said many activities are being planned for the

15-month bicentennial celebration, which will start in April 1990. It will conclude on July 4, 1991, with street fair and fireworks displays.

The first event will be a homecoming banquet April 27, 1990, in the Main hangar at Scott Air Force Base. U.S. Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Belleville, will serve as master of ceremonies for the 50th anniversary.

Included in the cost of the banquet will be a bicentennial program and a brass commemorative coin, Neumeyer said.

One side of the coin will be a replica of the first county courthouse, located in Cahokia, with a replica of the current

courthouse in Belleville on the other side of the coin, she said. The coin will be offered only at the banquet.

Another commemorative item being prepared for the county's 200th birthday is a 1990 calendar with historical facts for each date of the year.

The educator is the brainchild of Dr. Folk, a Dineen professor at McKendree College who is a member of the bicentennial committee's Education Committee. Folk said he got the idea from a colleague, Irwin Halford, who is a European historian at the college.

Folk said that students from

which happened on specific dates, and found the data to be historical and students in the McKendree Historical Society found information for the 160 dates for which the students didn't have material.

Dr. LaRoma Morris, special agent to the U.S. Marshals Service in the Alton office, said the county region's superintendent of schools, said 30,000 calendars will be printed and given to students at every school in the county.

Morris said that every school will also receive a county flag. Regional Schools Supt. Martha O'Malley said she is considering the possibility of declaring a day in 1990 as Bicentennial Day in all schools countywide.

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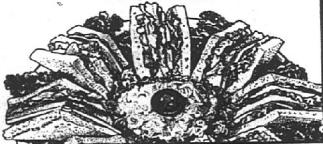
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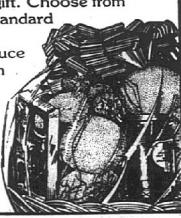
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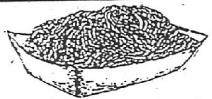
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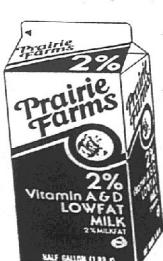
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TROPHY WINNERS: Members of the Granite City Judo Club took two firsts and two seconds in the Chicago Open held Dec. 9 in Oak Park, Ill. In front, left to right, are Chris Sumpter, Alicia Kirgan (second) and Ryan Sloss. In the back are Chris Almond (first), Doug Sloss, George Kirgan (first), Mike Urioste and Allen Kirgan (second). Allen Kirgan is the head instructor of the club, which meets at the YMCA in downtown Granite City. There were six states represented at the Chicago Open.

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TROPHY HAUL: Students at Mitchell's Taekwondo school of Granite City brought home several trophies from the Taekwondo championships held recently in Desoto, Mo. From left to right are Jeff Hill, Tom Westbrook, Aaron Wallis, Wayne Hopke, Bob Rill and Chuck Warmack. In the back is instructor Ed Mitchell.

Sports

Baker runs camp at SFF Dec. 27-28

Warrior soccer coach Gene Baker will run a camp at Soccer For Fun Dec. 27-28.

The annual "Safe Indoor Soccer Skills," is available for boys and girls in grades four through eight. It will run from 9:11 a.m. both days at Soccer For Fun, 4141 Highway 100, in Pontiac Beach. The cost is \$30 per child.

For more information, call Baker at Granite City High School, 451-5808, or at 314-355-2374.

Soccer alumni banquet Dec. 23

The annual Granite City alumni soccer banquet will be held Dec. 23 at St. Gregory's Hall.

The banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a cash bar. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased through Sheridan Drives, 2301 State St., 376-2200, or Old State St., 272-3344. Nameoki Road, Suite 3043; Ranney and Roseann Rich, 29 Nassau, 876-7346; and Ruth Richardson, 29 Moorland, 931-4543.

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Whitey has plan to revitalize winter meetings

Whitey Herzog has always been one of baseball's clever thinkers, with his biggest problem usually being that his ideas are ahead of his time.

Such is the case again as Herzog has a plan that would revitalized baseball's winter meetings, which this year turned into a big waste of everybody's time and money.

Only two significant trades were made during the meetings in Nashville, Tenn., the one sending Joe Carter from the Indians to the Padres and the swap of relievers Randy Myers and John Franco between the Mets and Reds. The major business of the week was the signing of free agents, which gets precisely to Herzog's plan to juice up the meetings.

Because so many free agents either haven't signed or are in the process of doing so during the first week of December, most clubs have not yet figured out what trades they need to make. Whether or not they sign a particular free agent will give them a way toward determining if they need to make that deal for a starting pitcher or an outfielder that another club is proposing.

Teams don't go to the winter meetings looking for free trades anymore—they go to meet with the agents and sign free agents, talk to some of the other clubs and make up their list of trade possibilities for the next two months.

It wasn't that way in 1980, when Herzog went to Dallas intent on rebuilding the Cardinals and did it in less than a week through several multi-player deals.



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er deals. Now, a minor trade is given headline treatment.

What Herzog proposes is that the meetings be held the last week of January, after pro football's Super Bowl, instead of the first week in December. By that time, almost all of the significant free agent will have signed and clubs will have a clearer idea of what trades they need to make.

Herzog isn't alone in his theory. Fellow managers Buck Rodgers of the Expos and Tom Lasorda of the Dodgers endorsed the idea during last week's meetings, as did general managers Don Mattingly of the Cards and Lee Thomas of the Phillies.

The business activities that go on at the meetings, the major and minor league drafts, still could be held by conference call,

as the amateur draft is conducted in June. If the minor league people so desire, they could still have a shorter meeting to conduct their business session and meet with all the company representatives during the trade show.

But the business of bringing all the major league personnel at least five people from each club to the meetings is a tradition in for a week of false illusions that major trades will be forthcoming is wrong. It would save a lot of money—besides making a lot more sense—if the meetings were held at the end of January.

The ideal step would be to flip-flop the meetings each year between Florida and Arizona. They would serve as a logical site for the main event and put baseball in the headlines and serve as a reminder that winter was almost over.

The winter meetings used to be much more meaningful than they are now because baseball wanted to be in the news in the middle of winter so it could sell season tickets for the upcoming season. That isn't necessary any-

more—because of free agency.

baseball is in the news virtually every day during the winter.

The meetings also used to be more eventful than they are now because there were rigid deadlines. If a team wanted to move a player to a team in the other league, the deal had to be completed by the end of the meetings. Now the only restrictions on making trades are between July 31 and the end of the season, and that rule can be circumvented if a team has waivers on the players involved.

Despite the logic behind why Herzog's idea makes sense and should be implemented, it likely won't happen, at least anytime soon. The reason, he says, is because it's too logical.

That, unfortunately, is true of most of Herzog's ideas when it comes to some of baseball's silly rules and ideas.

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•Warriors

(Continued from Page 1D) ter tonight," said Ohlendorf. "Had this been the only game of the week for us, you might have seen a little more from us offensively. But Belleville East was the prime we prepared for all week."

NOTES: The Warriors host winless Cahokia on Friday, then travel to Collinsville (2-1) for a conference game Saturday. Both varsity action on both nights starts at 6:15.

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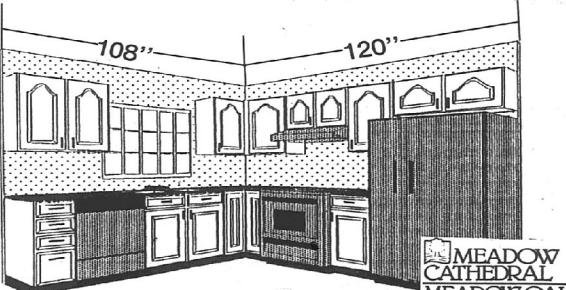
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